

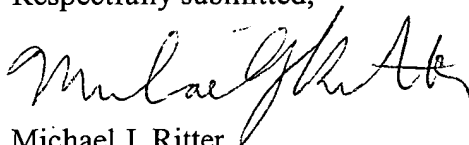
REMARKS

Claims 30-46 are pending in the application and Applicants respectfully request consideration of these claims. Applicants have canceled claims 1-29 without disclaiming the subject matter therein.

In the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed December 19, 2000, it was stated that a Sequence Listing was required. Applicants reviewed the application and does not believe that a Sequence Listing is required as there are no nucleotide or amino acid sequences in the application. Therefore, the requirement should be withdrawn.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite the prosecution of the application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at (408) 446-8693.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Ritter", written in a cursive style.

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